Senate Bill No. 665

CHAPTER 208

An act to amend Section 52301.5 of, and to add Chapter 17.5 (commencing with Section 53086) to, the Education Code, and to amend Sections 10533 and 15037 of, and to repeal Sections 10531 and 10532 of, the Unemployment Insurance Code, relating to pupils.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 665, Migden. California Career Resource Network.

Existing law establishes various career preparation programs, including the School-to-Career Program, which provides grants for local agencies to build connections between educators, employers, local government, and the community, as specified. Existing law also establishes the California Occupational Information Coordination Committee for the purposes of, among other things, developing a plan for the use of available resources to design and implement a statewide comprehensive labor market and occupational supply and demand information system.

This bill would repeal the California Occupational Information Coordination Committee and instead establish the California Career Resource Network for the purpose of providing career development information and resources, as provided. The bill would also make conforming changes.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 52301.5 of the Education Code is amended to read:

52301.5. For the purposes of this chapter:

- (a) "California Occupational Information System" means the statewide comprehensive labor market and occupational supply and demand information system described by Section 10530 of the Unemployment Insurance Code.
- (b) "State-Local Cooperative Labor Market Information program" means that labor market information system established in Section 10533 of the Unemployment Insurance Code.
- (c) "Job market study" means a review of the existing educational programs in light of available labor market information, including occupational supply and demand, for a labor market area.
- (d) "Labor market area" means a county or aggregation of counties designated by the Employment Development Department that has one or

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more central core cities and that meets criteria of population, population density, commute patterns, and social and economic integration specified by the Employment Development Department.

SEC. 2. Chapter 17.5 (commencing with Section 53086) is added to Part 28 of the Education Code, to read:

Chapter 17.5. California Career Resource Network

- 53086. (a) There is in state government the California Career Resource Network, formerly called the California Occupational Information Coordinating Committee, composed of the Director of Employment Development, the Superintendent, the Chancellor of the California Community Colleges, the Director of Rehabilitation, the Director of Social Services, the Executive Director of the California Workforce Investment Board, the Executive Secretary of the Bureau for Private Postsecondary and Vocational Education, the Director of the California Youth Authority, the Director of the Department of Corrections, and the Director of the Department of Developmental Services, or their designees. This committee is established for the purposes of Section 2328 of Title 20 of the United States Code, for the purposes of this article, and for other purposes authorized by the Legislature.
- (b) The mission of the California Career Resource Network is to provide all persons in California with career development information and resources to enable them to reach their career goals.
- (c) The primary duty of the California Career Resource Network is to distribute career information, resources, and training materials to middle school and high school counselors, educators, and administrators, in order to ensure that middle schools and high schools have the necessary information available to provide a pupil with guidance and instruction on education and job requirements necessary for career development.
- (d) Information and resources distributed by the California Career Resource Network shall provide all of the following:
 - (1) Encouragement to completing a secondary education.
- (2) Career exploration tools, provided in written and multimedia format, that offer an introduction to the nature of career planning, self-assessment, methods of investigating the work world, methods of identifying and meeting education and training needs, and methods of creating a career action plan.
 - (3) Relevant information on the labor market and career opportunities.
- (4) Assistance to a pupil in the acquisition and development of career competencies including the appropriate skills, attitudes, and knowledge to allow a pupil to successfully manage his or her career.
- (e) The network shall perform its duties only upon funding provided in the annual Budget Act.
- SEC. 3. Section 10531 of the Unemployment Insurance Code is repealed.

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SEC. 4. Section 10532 of the Unemployment Insurance Code is repealed.

- SEC. 5. Section 10533 of the Unemployment Insurance Code is amended to read:
- 10533. (a) The Employment Development Department shall operate the State-Local Cooperative Labor Market Information Program as the primary component of the comprehensive labor market and occupational supply and demand information system described by Section 10530. The department shall consult with agencies listed in Section 10530 in the development and operation of this program.
- (b) The objectives of this program shall be to produce, through extensive local participation and for distribution in effective formats to all local users, reliable occupational information, and to achieve cost-efficient production by avoiding duplication of efforts. The program shall be a primary source for local and statewide occupational information and shall be available in all labor market areas in the state.
- (c) In producing this information, state and local agencies shall use state occupational forecasts and other indicators of occupational growth, combined with local employer surveys of recruitment practices, job qualifications, earnings and hours, advancement and outlook, to provide statistically valid occupational analyses for local job training and education programs.
- (d) Local labor market information studies shall be conducted by the department or by a local entity and shall include the participation of local users of the information.
- SEC. 6. Section 15037 of the Unemployment Insurance Code is amended to read:
 - 15037. The California Workforce Investment Board shall:
- (a) Review and comment on the state workforce development plan developed pursuant to Section 11011.
- (b) Develop and recommend to the Governor a coordination and special services plan, which includes a dislocated workers assistance plan, in accordance with Chapter 4.5 (commencing with Section 10510) of Part 1 of Division 3.
- (c) Recommend to the Governor local service delivery areas. To the extent permitted by federal law, designation of service delivery areas shall reflect the intent of the Legislature to integrate and coordinate employment and training services, public assistance programs, and other educational and training efforts as may exist which are designed to assist individuals in preparing for participation in the labor force.
- (d) To the extent permitted by federal law, establish policies which shall be followed by the department in performing all of the following functions:
 - (1) Approval of local service delivery area plans.
- (2) Establishment of standards, criteria, and reporting requirements established by the department pursuant to this division with respect to local service delivery area plans.

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- (3) Allocation of funds for local service delivery area plans, including funds for plans submitted under Chapter 7.5 (commencing with Section 15075).
- (e) Plan, review and approve the allocation, recapture, and reallocation of federal funds received by the state pursuant to the federal Job Training Partnership Act. Funds received by the state in accordance with Sections 202(c)(1)(C) and 262(c)(1)(C) of that act shall be allocated to the Superintendent of Public Instruction as necessary to meet the need determined by the superintendent pursuant to Section 33117.5 of the Education Code. The board shall be deemed to have approved the disbursement of funds when the Governor approves a decision of the board specifying a budget for an authorized program or activity and designating the department or agency responsible for the expenditure of the budgeted funds. An agreement shall be entered into between the Employment Development Department and the State Department of Education and shall provide that Job Training Partnership Act funds provided for the purposes of Section 33117.5 of the Education Code shall be utilized for payment to local educational agencies.
- (f) Review and approve the annual labor market and occupational supply and demand information plan described by Section 10530.
- (g) Consider and advise the director on all matters connected with the administration of this code as submitted to it by the director, and may upon its own initiative recommend changes in administration as it deems necessary.
- (h) Review and comment to the Governor and the Legislature on the annual report prepared in accordance with Section 15064.
- (i) Serve as the body responsible for making recommendations to the Governor when the director proposes to withdraw funding pursuant to Section 15028.